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The Thoughts Of A Young Man About To Enter Military Life

By Corinne N. O'Neal

What are the thoughts of a young man when he makes a final, individual decision to volunteer for military service to his country? What are his emotions? What are his reasons? How did he arrive to make this important decision - a decision that could well change the course of his life?

To better understand these questions an interview was arranged with two brothers - both just out of school and both members of the Daly City Ward. Steve Presher left the day of this writing for boot camp in San Diego...a member of the United States Navy. Following within three weeks will be his brother, Tony Presher, who will also receive basic training in San Diego...but with the United States Marines.

Why, Steve? Why, Tony? And freely they told why, without any great emotion but with much pride, secure and stable in their decisions. Both acknowledged that there was a strong call of adventure...but both indicated that their decisions represented much more. Steve said that he had been asked why he volunteered for service ... why not go on a mission? His great concern is first, the preservation of the United States ... that we may survive as a free nation in order to pursue our religious beliefs. Tony felt this also te be true and added, "I have talked with may soldiers who had served in Vietnam ... and what they tell me is not what I read in the newspapers. I want to find out for myself."

What will be the first thing you will do when boot and basic training is completed? Steve answered, "I am going to rush to a Priesthood meeting to meet the fathers to be invited to dinner to meet the daughters!" Tony replied, I am going out to see the town!" When asked what "seeing the town" meant Tony added ... "No bars. I know that many things will happen for the first time and I don't know yet how I will handle them ... but I shall when the time comes."

Any personal preferences while in service? Both want to go where the action is ... Steve hopes for submarine duty along with specialized educational benefits ... Tony is mechanically adept ... perhaps a motorized assignment and hopes for a tour of duty in Vietnam.

They talked about being members of the "now" generation. They discussed drugs. Had they been approached? Yes, both had been solicited to purchase LSD. Steve said, "Drugs are not my thing ... praying is." Tony shrugged and said " Drugs mean nothing to me."

We talked about the "permissive" generation ... and the discipline of the military and also self-discipline. Both immediately indicated that "we are used to discipline," and added that military discipline was necessary for it was "all for one and one for all." As for self-discipline, this, too, had been a part of their education and rearing ... especially the teachings of the Church.

What about the present conflict many young people have concerning the American flag? Tony said, "I have never seen anyone spit on our flag nor have I seen it burned ... if I did I just don't know what I would o." Steve said "the Flag represents my country. This country is the people and so the flag represents the American people."

While Steve said tha eventually he wants to "find the right girl," marry and establish a home, Tony indicated that he, too, wanted this but added that he felt this had to come later in his life; first, the war had to be settled and then "there are even greater problems here at home."

As Mormons what stand will you take with your buddies? Steve felt that his associates would mostly be other Mormons and that he would always be in close contact. Tony felt that he would be in isolated situations and said, "I shall try hard to be an example of the teachings of the Church of Jesus Christ."

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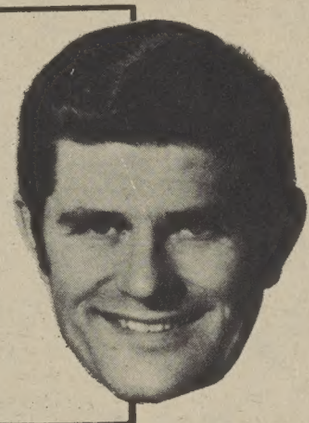

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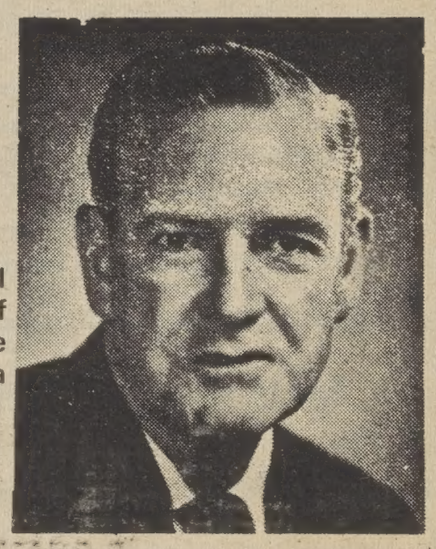

The Wedding Bells Are Ringing

Mary Alice McGhee of San Lorenzo 2nd Ward became the bride of Donald William Barnum June 13 in the Oakland Temple. Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. McGhee of San Leandro, graduated from Marina High School and attended Brigham Young University. Don Barnum graduated also from Marina and thereafter earned an AA degree from Chabot and is now a senior at Cal-State. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Barnum. The couple honeymooned to Twain Hart, Sonora, and plan to live in San Leandro.

Married June 27 in the Oakland Fourth Ward chapel were Sharon C. Spencer of the Oakland Fourth Ward and Lt. William D. Lincoln of Fremont Ward. Mr. Lincoln, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale E. Lincoln, graduated in June from the Air Force Academy and will take his bride to his new assignment at Mooney Air Force Base in Georgia. The new Mrs. Lincoln, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Spencer, has attended Brigham Young University. The marriage was performed by Bishop Dale E. Roe of the Oakland Fourth Ward and a reception honoring the newlyweds was held following the ceremony.

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Sheryl Keirn And Thomas Krey Announce Engagement

News of the engagement of Bro. Thomas R. Krey and Sherye Keirn was recently announced at the home of the prospective grooms parents, Bro. and Sis. Ralph Krey, while Miss Keirn was here visint from Tampa, Florida. She is the daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Richard Keirn of that city. Approximately 25 family members attended.

The future bride received a corsage of carnations and opened many gifts. The young pair cut a decorated cake which was served after dinner.

Miss Keirn graduated from T. R. Robinson High School in Tampa and attended St. Petersburg Junior College. She is now employed as a secretary with the Army and Air Force Exchange Service at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa.

Tom attended the Pittsburg Schools and Diablo Valley College before enlisting in the Air Force in 1967. He was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas in preparation for a tour of duty in Vietnam, where he is now stationed. He is an Eagle Scout and has earned his Priesthood awards along with the Duty to God Award and has participated in all MIA Activities and functions. Dr. Paul Krey of Brentwood and Mrs. Michael Sinnott of Campbell are his brother and sister.

The members of the Pittsburg Ward extend congratulations to this fine couple and wish them happpiness in their future life together. A wedding date has not been set at the present time.

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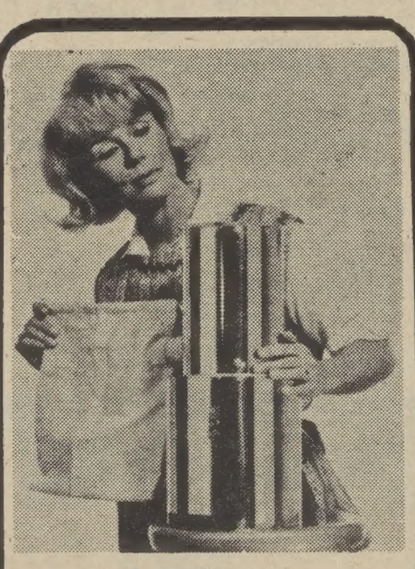
Margaret Davis Wins Golden Gleamer Award

By Marguerite Belz

Margaret Davis was the proud and happy recipient of her Golden Gleaner Award Certificate and pin, presented during Sacrament Service on Sunday, Aug. 10. Margaret was "pinned" by her husband Jerry who remarked he had been looking forward to this occasion for over 4 years; it was 4 years ago that she presented him with his "M" Man Award. It was also an especially happy day for them as it was also their 9th wedding anniversary.

During her Sacremant Service talk, Margaret expressed concern that there is not more effort being put into achieving the Golden Gleaner award by others in other areas. She felt it was one of the most worthwhile and rewarding activities she had ever undertaken.



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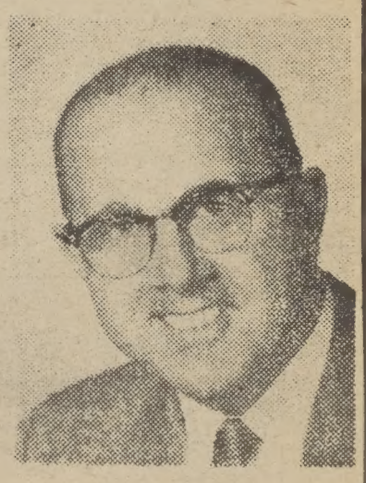

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DIANNE ASTLE and Larry Craig Stone wed recently

Dianne Astle, Larry Stone Wedding

By Boots Barrus

Now making their home in Provo, Utah, are the new Bro. and Sis. Larry Craig Stone, who were married June 20 at the Oakland Temple.

The bride is the former Dianne Astle, daughter of Bro. and Sis. LaFarr Astle, of Franklin Avenue, Pittsburg, and the groom's parents are Bro. and Sis. Reid Stone of Barstow, Calif.

President Delbert Wright of Danville, former President of the Oakland Temple officiated at the ceremony. The bride was given away by her father and the best man was her brother, Nelson Astle, who is a student at BYU.

Bridesmaids were Miss Kris Hofstedt and Miss Rosalyn Korany, roommates of the bride while she was attending Brigham Young Univ. & Miss Penny Kutsch was flower girl at the Open House held after the ceremony in the brides parents home.

After a Bay Area honeymoon the couple have now resumed their working positions in Provo. Dianne is employed at the Payson City Hospital and Larry will teach at the Y.

Fremont Stake Youth Will Hold Multi-Activity Conference

Les Youd, Reporter

The youth of Fremont Stake will convene in a multi-activity youth conference Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 22 and 23, at Mission High School in Fremont. The events will begin Saturday morning with workshops on topics of current interest to youth in the church. Athletics and activities are scheduled for the afternoon from 1 to 3 p.m. At 6 p.m. the group will leave by bus for Jack London Square and a buffet dinner and dance while cruising San Francisco Bay on the Harbor Queen.

Sunday morning at 9 a.m. the young man will hold a joint Pristhood Meeting at the high school while the young ladies are gathered for a special devotional at another campus location. At 10 a.m. the groups will join for thyfinal session of the conference which will feature a special keynote speaker and youth testimonies.

Tickets for the conference can be obtained from ward Aaronic Priesthood-Youth General Secretaries and YWMIA Presidents.

In a special commemoration to our pioneer forefathers, the MIA of the Fremont Stake produced the play "And They Shall Be Gathered" for the benefit of the stake membership. Directing the production was Inez Urie. Members of the cast include: Grant Reeve, Joan Cooper, Peter Fleskach, Carol Jackson, Gary and Sharon Hall, Mike and Ann Nunes, Scott Lindsay, Ron Wright, Lyle Tippets, Bob Emmer, Frank Reeve, Steve Jackson, Esther Kennison, Deloris Lindsay and Laura Rassmussen. Special lighting was by Gene Urie. Other assistants were Carol Reeve, Dave Reeve, Cristine Lindsay and Marjorie Scott. If the reporter may engage in a bit of review, this was a first class production of a moving, dramatic story.

Upcoming stake events include General Priesthood Meeting, for all pristhood holders, Saturday evening Aug. 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Centerville chapel. A stake conference is scheduled for Sept. 12 and 13. A General Authority will be assigned to the conference.

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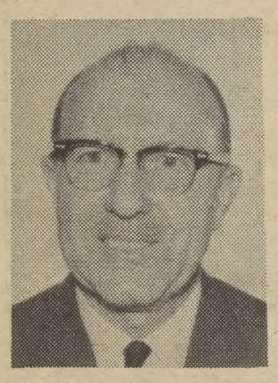

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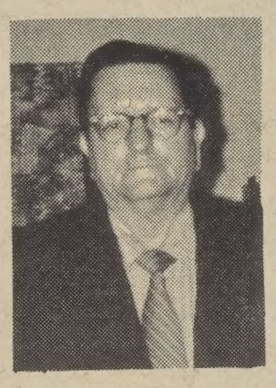

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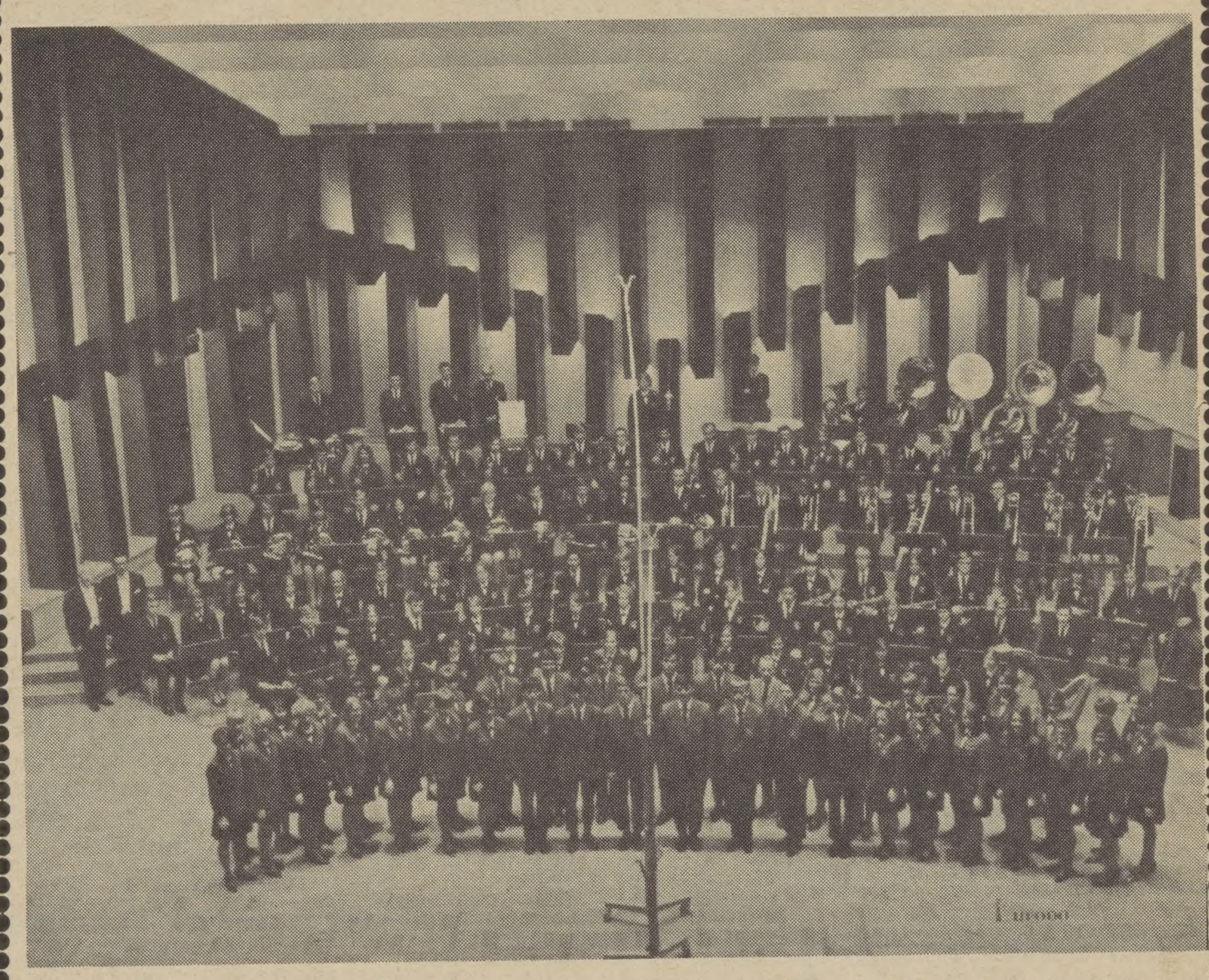

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SPORTS ACTION REVIEW

By Gary Wood
Sports Editor

With most of the preliminaries out of the way, the Zone 3 softball program will roar to a finish during July, as the final step on the way to the All-Church championships in Salt Lake City Aug. 24-28.

According to zone athletic director Fred Stone, the final contests to determine the four teams to represent the zone in Salt Lake City will be held as follows:

Junior Fast Pitch–Patrick Gomer Field in Hayward, Aug. 13, 7 p.m.

Senior Fast Pitch–Gomer Field, Aug. 13, 8:30 p.m.

Junior Slow Pitch–Gomer Field, Aug. 14, 7 p.m.

Senior Slow Pitch–Gomer Field, Aug. 14, 8:30 p.m.

Regional playoffs in each of the four regions (Oakland, San Francisco, Walnut Creek, and San Jose) in the zone will determine the teams to enter the zone tournament.

Following is a partial list of stake winners in the Oakland and Walnut Creek Regions:

Junior fast pitch–San Leandro Ward, San Leandro Stake; Walnut Creek II, Walnut Creek Stake; Antioch Ward, Concord Stake;

Senior Fast Pitch–Pleasant Hill I, Walnut Creek Stake; San Leandro Ward; Oakland V, Oakland-Berkeley Stake; Lamanite Ward, Santa Rosa Stake; Concord II, Concord Stake; Fremont II, Fremont Stake.

Junior Slow pitch–El Cerrito-Berkeley Ward, Oakland-Berkeley Stake; Greenbrae Ward, Marin Stake; Santa Rosa II, Santa Rose Stake; Newark Ward, Fremont Stake: Concord III, Concord Stake; Fairfield Ward, Napa Stake; Danville Ward, Walnut Creek Stake.

Senior Slow Pitch–Alameda II, Oakland-Berkeley Stake; Orinda Ward, Walnut Creek Stake; Santa Rosa III, Santa Rosa Stake; Fremont IV, Fremont Stake; Concord III, Concord stake.

The playoffs for the Oakland and Walnut Creek Regions are set in Hayward for Saturday, Aug. 1; Wednesday, Aug. 5; and Saturday, Aug. 8. Thyfirst two days of play will be at Bret Harte Field at E. St. and 2nd St., and the final day of competition will take place at Gomer Field, of Tennyson Rd. near the Nimitz Freeway.

13-Year-Old Wins Golf Tilt

By Gary Wood,
Sports Editor

The generation gap had nothing to do with it, but 13-year-old Mark Tinder showed no respect for his elders during the Zone 3 golf tournament July 24 at the Green Hills Country Club in Milbrae.

Tinder, breezing through the course like he owned it, carded a 73 for the tourney's lowest score. The talented youngster attends Pacific Grove Ward in Monterey Bay Stake.

He will represent the zone in the junior division (for those under 19 years of age) of the All-Church tournament in Salt Lake City, Aug. 6-7, accompanied by Rod Badger of Menlo Park Ward, Palo Alto Stake, who shot a 77; and Tom Posey of Sunset Ward, San Francisco Stake, who had 78.

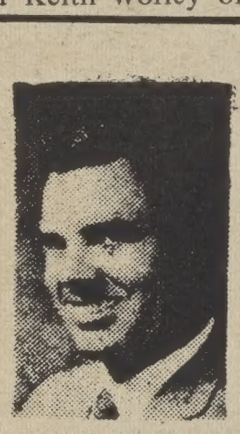
In the senior divsision (ages 19-55), Lee Roberson of Santa Clara Ward, San Jose West Stake, will be the zone standard bearer after turning in a 76 in the zone play. Also qualifying for the All-Church tournament were Blaine Kimball of Danville Ward, Walnut Creek Stake, who scored a 77; and Tom Jenson of Fremont 2nd Ward, Fremont Stake, who shot 78.

Completing the zone contingent in the senior division are Dick Driggs of San Leandro 2nd Ward, San Leandro Stake (80); Bob Whitesides, San Leandro II Ward (81); Roger Merrill, Pacific Grove Ward (81); and Blaine Buchanan, Santa Clara 1st Ward, San Jose West Stake (81).

In the veterans division, the zone winner was William Naylor with a 79; followed by Ariel Merrill of Pacific Grove Ward, 90; and Keith Worley of Santa Clara Ward and Wally Winkler of Palo Alto Ward, 92 (tie).

Several non-winners of the regular tournament competition garnered prizes and awards in special competitions held in conjunction with the zone play.

In handicap competition, Blaine Kimball had low net in the senior division with 68; Mark Cosgrove, was first in the junior division with 70; and Keith Worley took first among the veterans with 74.



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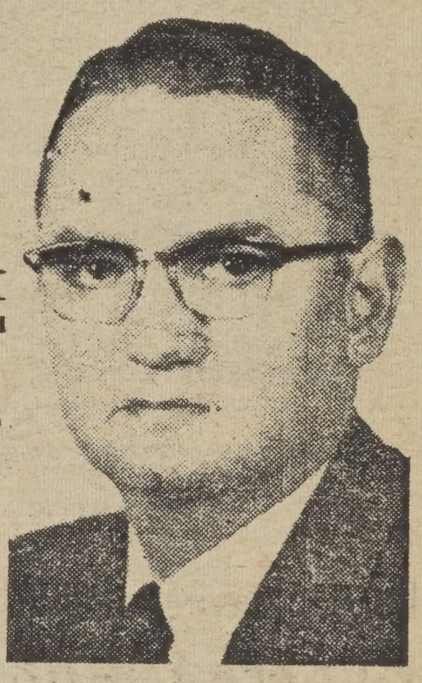

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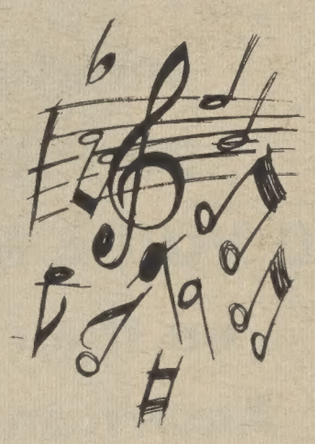
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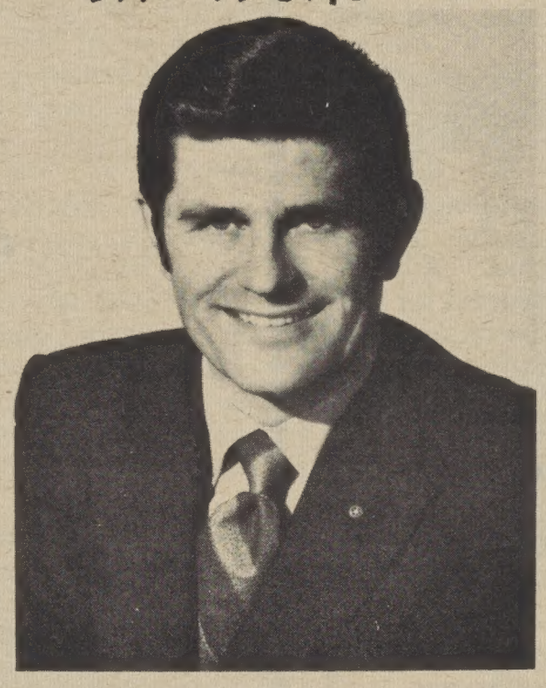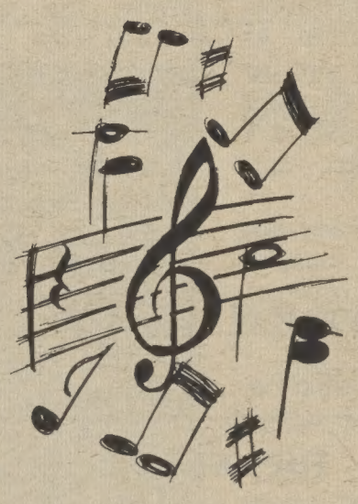

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BYU Dancers Are A Big Hit During Fifth Tour Of Europe

The famous American Dancers of Brigham Young University, now on their fifth tour of Europe, have proved to be effective ambassadors to both royalty and citizenry in many countries.

Letters from Mrs. Mary Bee Jensen, director of the group, report that the BYU students were the hit of the famous Santarem Agricultural Fair in Portugal where they were visited backstage by the president of the country who shook hands wich each member of the cast.

And at the Rebild Festival in Denmark, in which the Danes celebrate July4 with the Americans, the BYU dancers won the smiles of the Danish king and queen who sat on the front row in the huge natural hillside amphitheater. George Romney, U.S. Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, was main speaker.

And wherever the students go, they are given lodging and meals in the homes of the local citizens, thus creating strong grass-roots international goodwill relationships.

While language is a barrier, students and local residents manage to communicate, and these ties become so strong that partings are often tearful. One especially touching parting came at the French town of Cry-sur-Armoncon. The invitation to appear at Cry came through Mr. Perry Moran of St. Petersburg, Fla., who is an honorary citizen of Cry as a result of a World War I experience. He had heard of the famous BYU troupe and was anxious for them to appear in his adopted hometown.

The townspeople also were eager to please. They put on a big celebration, festooned the trees and buildings with flowers and other decorations, gave banquets, took the visitors on tours, and treated them like royalty in their homes.

When the BYU bus pulled out of the market place there were tears in the eyes of the students and the townspeople as they waved goodbye.

The dancers were hosted by the U.S. Embassy at Lisbon and the U.S. Ambassador to France presented them at Cry.

This summer's tour will cover Spain, Portugal, Italy, Switzerland, France, Denmark, Finland, Sweden, England, Scotland, and The Netherlands. The group is appearing mostly in famous European folk festivals and theaters and in addition present shows sponsored by the stakes and missions of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

DON CARLOS and Annetta Vincent Wood

Don Carlos And Annetta Wood Honored With Special Award

A special award was presented at Brigham Young University commencement exercises May 29 to Don Carlos Wood and his wife, Annetta Vincent Wood, in recognition of lives of distinguished service.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood, who were married in 1920, have five children and 23 grandchildren. All four sons received the doctor's degree and their daughter the B.A. in music, all have filled missions for eh LDS Church, and all were married in LDS temples.

Mr. Wood, who graduated from University of Utah, has been an insurance executive, and is now a worker in Oakland LDS Temple. Mrs. Wood also graduated from U. of U., taught school, and has been active in YWMIA, Primary Association, Civil Defense, Cub Scouting, and American Mother's Association. She was California Mother of the Year in 1966 and is now a matron in Oakland Temple.

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And It Came To Pass...

LEFT TO RIGHT: Bishop Alfred W. Fontano as John Taylor, Howard Ruff as Brigham Young, and N. Lee Allphin Jr. as Joseph Smith.

Photographs by Dr. Robert Leininger
Story by Morgan D. King

For weeks before opening night hundreds of determined Saints ran around collaring strangers on the streets, in the public sauna, at the office: "I don't know who you are, sir, but please, sir, come and see the Temple Pageant with me! We can't get in unless we bring a non-member. You say you ARE a member? Oh. Excuse me!"

The race to get the tickets was frantic, but the rewards were abundant: In twelve nights 18,000 persons were treated to an evening of dance, song, color and action as a combined cast of 1,200 LDS performers portrayed the Mormon Odyssey from its early beginnings to the present.

Woven into the fabric of this amazing, inspiring production were the history, philosophy and drama that has made Mormonism the unique culture that it is.

Rehearsals started in May. Nearly 100 costumes were created for the play. Each performance was backed by a balcony chorus of 500 youths. After thousands of hours of planning, building, rehearsing, It Came To Pass . . .

"And it Came to Pass" was ten years in the making. In 1954, Bishop Thomas J. Curtis of San Bruno WWard commissioned two members of the Church in that area to create a pageant based on Church history. James Ira Young was to write it; R. Whitney Groo, Jr. was to direct, produce, and help with the music. The concept of a trilogy to be presented on three nights by three groups was developed.

When the Oakland Temple was being constructed, the MIA executives asked Whitney Groo, as the MIA Division Music Director, to prepare a pageant to commemorate its dedication. with Ira Young, he conceived the idea of condensing the three acts, and thus was born one of the great missionary events of the church.

Thirteen stakes cooperated to bring the Pageant about this year; Fremont, Hayward, San Jose, Napa, Palo Alto, San Leandro, Walnut Creek, Concord, Oakland-Berkeley, San Francisco, San Jose South, San Jose West, and San Mateo.

Darrell Williams (Walnut Creek) was named Producer. Assistant Producer was Darrell Westover.

Nico. D. Snel Jr. conducted the orchestration. Choreography was by Carol Haws, Sherry Marshall, and Jane Hansen. Doyle West of San Leandro directed the chorus.

Frans Allebes (Concord) designed the sets, and Jim Call of Walnut Creek was Technical Director.

Costumes were by Joy Hulme and Irma Anderson.

Elsie Ramsden of Palo Alto directed the Pageant.

LYNN HILTON and Arnold Borgerson prepare to kick up their heels in the CHICKAREE scene.

Casual shot of the LIGHT CREW during pause in the action.

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR Jim Call (left) goes over notes with assistant.

Pageant director Elsie Ramsden.

Stage Chorus Director Doyle West.

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THE FACES of Donna Crabbe and Ed Wakefield reflect the tragedy of the Winter evacuation of Nauvoo.

PRODUCER Darrel Williams talks with member of cast.

MAKE—UP tables set up under the stage and elsewhere accomodate a large cast.

View of Who Am I? Scene shows unique structure of the stage sets.

PRESTON WILLIAMS, as Moroni (left) and Shermon Thopson playing Mormon with the Sacred Plates.

WHO AM I? Where did I come from ? Where am I going?

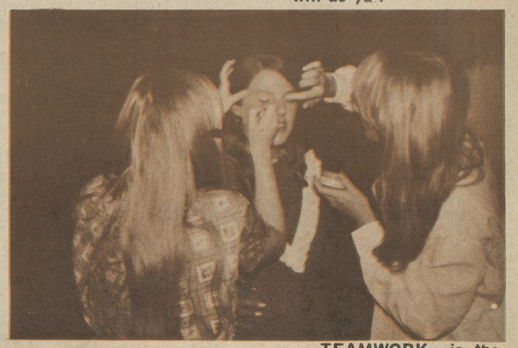
The Authors...

R. Whitney Groo, Jr. came into the church as a convert just three years before he began working with Ira Young on the pageant. During World War II, he organized and toured the Seventh Division Chorus and the GI Chorus of the Pacific. His musical background includes such diverse activities as playing viola with the Honolulu Symphony, being assistant director of the Choral Society of New York City, singing with the Salt Lake Tabernacle Choir, and producing several large performances of Handel's "Messiah. ' As a forerunner to the Temple Pageant, he produced and directed the musical, "Promised Valley." He has been active in many Church affairs, and currently is serving in the Bishopric of the South San Francisco Ward.

James Ira Young grew up in Ogden, Utah, and attended Weber College. His education was interrupted by a mission to the Northwestern states for two years, from which he returned just in time to serve four years in the Navy during World War II. After the war, he attended Brigham Young Univ., and after getting his Master's Degree in History, he became a member of the BYU faculty. He moved to Burlingame in 1953, and the following year, while convalescing from a heart attack, he began writing what was to become, ten years later, "And It Came to Pass," Mr. Young has served in many church capacities, including being a member of four Bishoprics. At present, he lives at Centerville, Utah.

JOHN THE BAPTIST (Brutus Ward) sacks out on some chairs between scenes.

REHEARSAL shows Howard Ruff and orchestra conductor Nico Snel in thoughtful poses.



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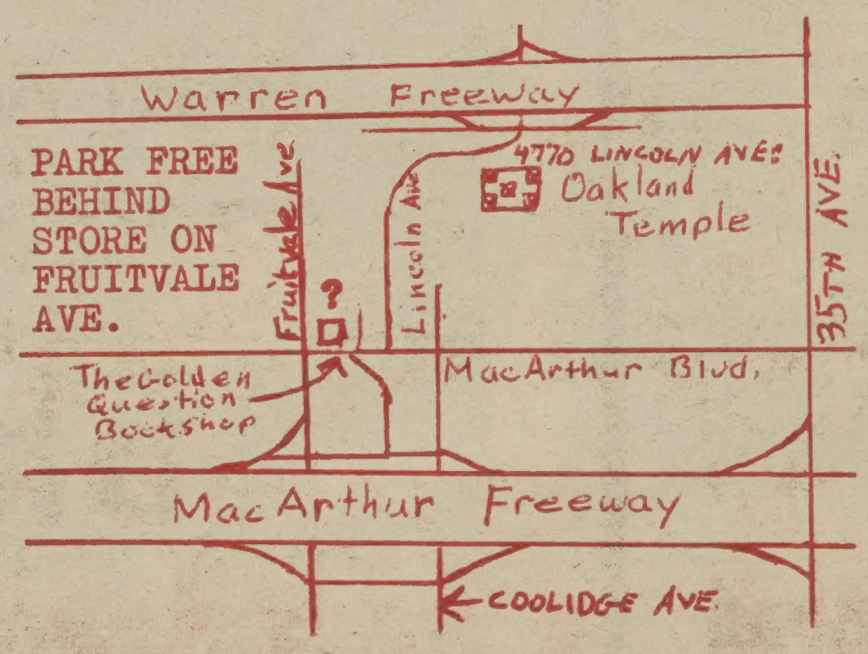

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The Ward News In Review

El Cerrito

By Brutus and Linda Ward

Our Ward welcomes two new summer arrivals. Sandy Watts, one our Stake missionaries, and his wife Colleen are the proud parents of Lori Rae, born on June 29 and weighing 7 lb. 4 oz. The fourth son of Ken and Jannie Hanks, Kevin Matthew, was born on July 2 and weighed 7 lb. 11 oz.

Barry Speare, husband of Michelle Lyon Speare, was wounded in action in Vietnam during the first of July and is coming home soon ot Letterman Hospital in San Francisco.

Bob and Jim Carter were ordained teachers on July 18th by their older brother Perry Carter, Jr. Perry, who is attending BYU arrived that morning for his sister Nancy's wedding and returned to Provo that evening after performing the ordination at his parents' home.

We would like to congratulate Lana Harris on her baptism into the Church on July 25. Lana was baptized and confirmed by her uncle, Brutus M. Ward. Her family recently moved here from Kansas.

Fremont Sth

By Kay Holcomb

A family outing is planned for all members and their friends for July 25. The event will be held at Aptos Beach starting at 10:30 a.m. Families will bring their own picnic lunch.

Bro. Darryl Peterson has been called on a Stake Mission. He'll be serving with Brothers Allen and Jackson. Bro. Clyde Holcomb was released from the Presidency of Mutual and called as Ward Clerk.

The Scouts are preparing to take their 50 miles hike the first week of August. there are a lot of sore feet and aching muscles among the young men these days trying to get ready for the hike. Saturday July 28 they hiked 20 miles along the Beach. Boys taking the hike were Randy Rigby, Kevin Bardsley, Ron Allen, Stanley Dahlin, Kelly Halcomb, Bob Kohl, Steve Ivie, Mitch Chambers, and David Carracci. Bro. and Sis. Ivie and Sis. Carracci accompanied the Scouts.

Babies blessed during the months of May-June are Gregory Paul Wood, son of Bro. and Sis. Willis Wood and Ronald Sherman, son of Bro. and Sis. Walter Sherman.

Children baptized and confirmed members of the church are Randall Williams, Violet Teo, Tina Steck, Alicia Tippetts, Sheryl Wood and Marc Lewis. Convert Baptisms were Bro. and Sis. Jerry Costa and daughter Andrea.

All Sisters in the ward are being encouraged to start working on their Bazaar projects. The date for the Bazaar has been set for Nov. 20. Sis. Lenore Row can be contacted for all the details.

Richmond

Mima Williams

The ward was saddened by the recent illness and death of Peter Gengler who passed away at the age of 76. Brother Gengler has been a very active High Priest and is survived by his widow, G. Avis, a son, Kenneth Gengler, a daughter, Marjorie MacWallin; two brothers, Samuel Gengler and Clarence Gengler; two sisters, Edna Redfield, and Ellen Fawcett. He is also survived by 6 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

He was a native of Kaysville, Utah and moved to the Richmond area in 1911. The first Sunday School of record in the Richmond area was held in 1914 in his home and on Mar. 23, 1919 a little branch of approximately 20 members was organized under the direction of the full time missionaries.

Services were held at the Civic Center Wilson Kratzler Mortuary with Bishop Harold DelaMare presiding. President W. Glenn Harmon delivered the memorial sermon with President Thomas Call and Elder Reese Thomson offering the invocation and benediction. Vocal solos, "In The Garden" by Alaine Wightman and "Beyond the Sunset" by James Peters were offered, with Frances Mahoney as organist. Concluding services were held at Sunset Cemetery in Berkeley.

Madge Elaine McGhee became the bride of Ross E. Dickinson in a double ring ceremony performed at Richmond Ward Chapel.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Donald R. Humphrey of Richmond Ward and Ted A. McGhee of New Orleans, La., and is a graduate of Richmond Union High School. She also attended a chiropractic college in St.Louis, Mo., and a local beauty college, and is employed at Alameda Naval Air Station.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dickinson of Richmond are parents of the groom, who also is a graduate of Richmond High and is majoring in industrial management at Contra Costa College. He also studied at Laney College in Oakland and is employed at Alameda Naval Air Station, in the Contra Costa College apprenticeship program for machinists.

Grass Valley

By Esther England

The Bishopric of Grass Valley Ward has announced we shall build a new Stake House in our area which will include five Wards from Auburn to Marysville.

Clark Ostergaard has been advanced from our Bishopric to the Stake High Council and Art Davidson has replaced him as second Counselor to Bishop Roy Smith, John Sanders is first Counselor.

All organizations are now planning fund-raising events for the new Stake-House to be.

Many new comers are moving up here from the Bay Area.

Grass Valley Relief Society, from left to right: Pearl White—First Counselor; Joyce Gilming—President; Eunice Swearington—Second Counselor; Joann Smith—Bishop's wife; Jackie Kurtz—Secretary.

Martinez

By Della Greathouse

Going back a few months: Barbara and Gary Fullmer were sealed in the Oakland Temple on April 11, 1970. Feb. 27, Cubs held their Blue & Gold dinner. Special thanks goes to Sis. Shates for her outstanding work in the program. MIA Speech Festival under the direction of Kathy Echols, gave an opportunity for our youth to express beautiful thoughs and testimonies using the theme, "From Within Me." Winners were: Scout-Kenny Moses, Laurel–Kathy Stokes, Honorable Mentiont to Beehive-I'Donna Clawson.

Sweet little spirits of our Father in Heaven are coming in great abundance in Martinez Ward, so rather than miss anyone, we'll say "Welcome to

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A special award was made by Stake YWWMIA President, Sis. Pacquette to Sharon Ellermeier on achieving her Golden Gleaner award.

A beautiful bride was Pam McMillan when given in marriage by her mother Arden to James Q. Laudenslager Jr. at the Martinez Chapel. Pres. Madsen officiated. Jay is now serving in the Marine Corps in Vietnam.

Pittsburg

Boots Barrus and Thora Astle

Our hats are off to the youth of the Pittsburg Ward who recently traveled to the Temple and completed approximately 200 baptisms for the dead. Adults accompanying the young girls were MIA Pres. Dawna Peters, Sis. Irel Barrus, Sis. Rendell Johnson, and Sis. Don Sovereign. Priesthood members attending and acting as officiators for these ordinances were Bros. Rendell Johnson, Dennis Mecham, Mike McLean, Lowell Budge, Irel Barrus, Burns Magleby and Bernie Kram. Youth attending the filling this assignment were: Tracy Budge, Kathy Dutton, Elaine Dutton, Melanie Epling, Jolyn Morrison, Karen Morrison, Kim Morrison, Mary Muceus, Martha Nelson, Jean Phillips, Gloria Paine, Hazal Torpy, Sara Hollingshead, Michael Adams, Floyd Davidson, Devin Hoagland, Gary Johnson, Kevin Johnson, Donald Lane, Eddie Morrison, John Muceus, Donald Neves, Jay Sanches and Russell Torpy.

On June 13, the Elders of the Pittsburg Ward held a party at the Ambrose Park from 1 to 5 p.m. Approximately 15 adults and 27 children attended this event and took part in the many festivities planned. Swimming, horseshoe pitching, and volleyball games were the main events of the afternoon. Under the direction of Bro. Bernie Kram and his counselors, the quorum supplied picnic items with members bringing condiments and drinks. A most enjoyable time was had by all and we look forward to another future event. Thanks to the Elders for such an enjoyable afternoon.

Hayward 3rd

By Vivian Rogers

Both fun and work was on the agenda for the members of the Hayward III Ward for this past month. Fun things included the ward swim party held in San Leandro, July 11. Then on Wednesday, July 15, we all put on our thinking caps and went off to San Francisco to participate in a building fund project, and I. Magnin Inventory.

One of the most exciting events was the Boy Scout week at Willets Scout Reservation, July 18-25. Thirteen boys and one counselor from our ward spent the entire week at the camp. Allen Robison was the counselor, and Donnie Stokes, Doug Poulton, Jimmie Lamb, Rusty Jacobsen, Keith Hall, Kelly Hall, Doug McDonald, Randell Beadrow, Eugene Richardson, Lewis Christensen, Joey Caiglund, Allen Fields, and Brad Stosich were the scouts who have bent our ears this past couple of days with the details of all the fun. Terry Ferris, Scoutmaster, Ken Mano, first counselor in the Bishopric, and Bishop Ted Jacobsen each spent a few days with the boys at camp. Bill Lamb, also from our ward, who is the Assistant Dist. Commissioner for South District, was there with the boys as Camp Commissioner. Four boys went out for the Scout Life Guard Award. Donnie Stokes, Allen Robison, Rusty Jacobsen, and Eugene Richardson all passed this competition. The troop also won the El Torro Sailing Race award, and came in first place in the Paul Bunyan Day. Seven fellows passed the mile swim and altogether 34 merit badges were passed by our troop. All the fellows passed either first, second or Staf requirements, and one boy passed the requirements for Life Scout.

The Primary finished off a fun summer session with a sing day, Thurs., July 23. Then Friday, July 24, the Liahoma Holiday was held for the three classes of older girls. The Gaynotes, Firelights, and Merrihands and their mothers all had a fun evening on a Nature Fantasy Tour.

Castro Valley

By Marguerite Belz

The Eastern Atlantic Spanish Mission will be the field of labor for Mark Henry Schultz, son of Mrs. Marie Schultz of Castro Valley. Elder Schultz left for the Church Mission Home in Salt Lake City on June 27 and reported to the BYU language

ELDER Mark H. Schultz

school in early July where he will remain until late August.

Elder Schultz graduated from Hayward High School and served in the United States Navy - making three trips to Vietnam - before enrolling at Briaham Young Univ. After completing his mission, Mark plans to return to BYU and continue his study in business with an ultimate goal of going into hotel management.

Concord

By Boots Barrus

Gathering together on May 6 in the Martinez Chapel, the Laurels of the Concord were treated to a very special evening when they were brought together for their Eternal Purpose Night. Under the direction of Stake Laurel Leader, Vivian Wilhite, the program was presented by the Laurels to their mothers, father, and friends. Carolyn Tueller played postlude and prelude music and the Ygnacio Valley Laurels sang "Pearl of Great Price" to open the program. They were accompanied by Christine Warner. Gayle Piercy gave the Laurel Crest, followed by the guest speaker, Rexine Glenn, of the Fremont Stake. Her presentation to the girls was an inspiration and gave the girls much food for thought.

Of special interest was that she was gowned in her long white lace flowing wedding gown, impressing the girls with beauty and purity. The girls were delighted with her forethought in sharing such a special dress and event with them as she related her experiences of her temple marriage.

Booklets were passed to each Laurel and the concluding number was sung by the Clayton Valley II Laurels, who sang "We

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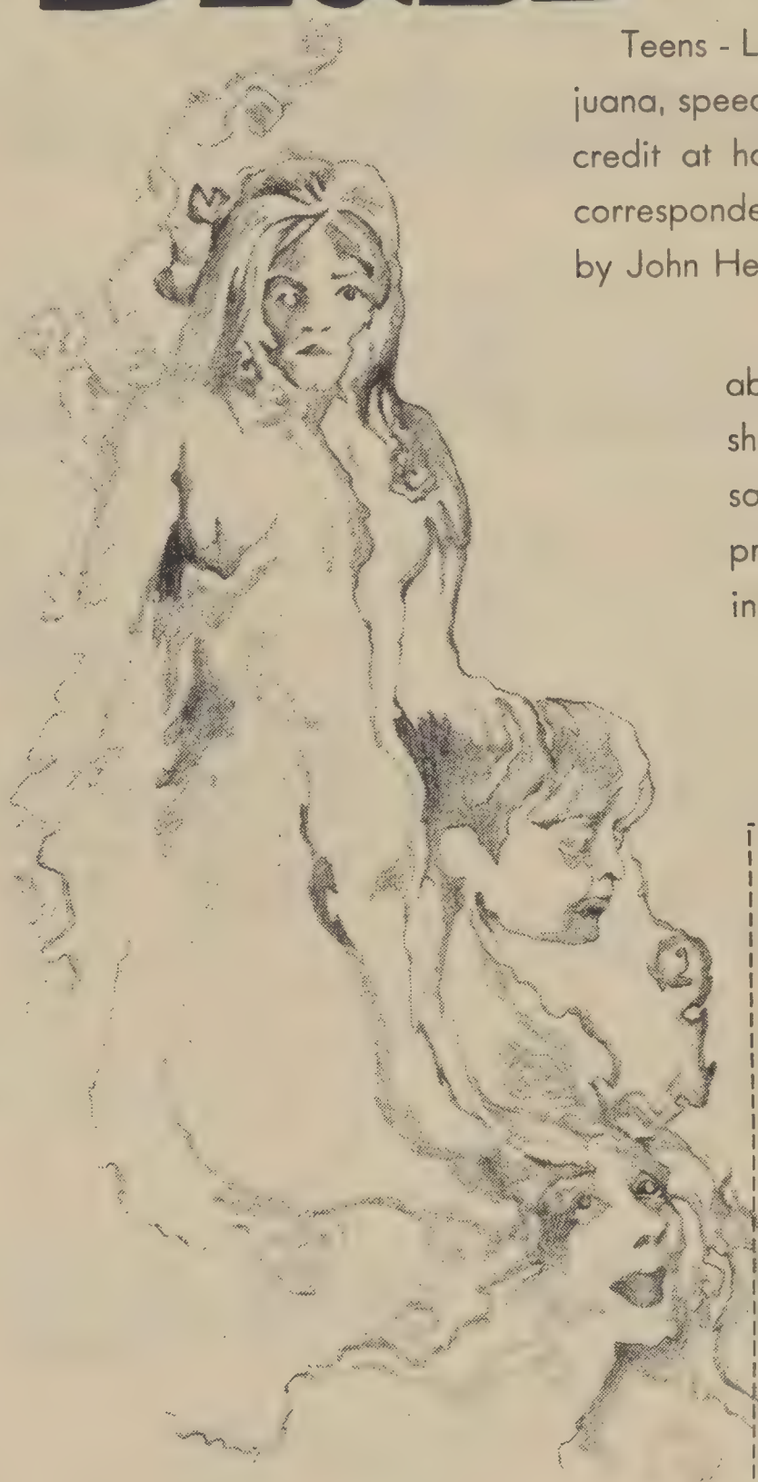

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Close To Home - Ward News In Review

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Seek After These Things," Laurel teachers in the Stake working with the girls in their respective wards are: Carol Walker, Mary Wright, Gayle Chingas, Anne Hyatt, Marshal Livingstone, Dorothy Thomas, Ann Huddleston, Marion Sovereign, Meava Wadsworth, Cheryl Cooper and Janet Sackett.

At the conclusion of the evening, refreshments were served to the large group in the Cultural Hall. Our thanks go out to the MIA Board for providing such an inspirational and spiritual evening for our young ladies.

San Francisco

By G. Stracke

Terry Marie Tolley, daughter of George and Mary Tolley, was married to Edward W. Hoppe in the Oakland Temple. Terry met Ed in Detroit where she is interning at the Ford Foundation Hospital. A lovely reception was held at the Tolley home. Among the guests were Ed's parents who are recent converts from Etna.

Audrey and Steven Rosen had their marriage sealed in the Oakland Temple. Judy Banks just received her Golden Gleaner award.

Kathern Ann Brown was baptized and confirmed by her father Kelvin Brown, Sr. who was recently sustained as a High Priest. Kathern's mother, Carol Brown, is the new Primary President.

New babies blessed by their fathers are: Julie Anne, daughter of Eugene and Marilyn Pocock; Reuben Nelson, son of Kent and Jackie Turner; Karen, daughter of Michael and Dorothy Marquardt.

Gail Terry and Marjean Stauffer just returned from a European tour which included a train trip up the Rhine River, then by car through Holland, Belgium, France, Luxemburg, Germany, Switzerland and Austria. They saw the famous Passion Play at Oberamergaugh. Another purpose of the trip was to visit the birthplace of Gail's mother, Gertrude Terry, as well as the ancestrial homes of the Stauffer family. The James Mercer family are also vactioning in Europe.

Hilma and Ken Glew have hosted both their daughters Arleen and Everlie and respective families, Arleen being from Salt Lake and Everlie from Michigan.

Under the leadership of Barrie Smith, Scoutmaster, our troop went on a fishing and hiking trip for a week through the High Sierras.

Mission

By Leonard W. Cryer

Daniel L. Carson is now serving on a stake mission in San Francisco Stake. He is a returned missionary, who served a full-time mission in South America. He met his wife, Cristina, in the mission field. They have a daughter, Michelle. He is the first stake missionary to be called from Mission Ward, since 1962, when Leonard W. Cryer and Richard Holmes were called.

On June 14, 1970, Ralph O. Mack, an Adult Priest, was ordained an Elder, by Gaurdello L. Hunter, General Secretary-Adult Aaronic. A widower, he plans to go to the Oakland Temple in July, and get his own endowments, as well as his late wife's and have her sealed to him.

A new convert family was welcomed into Mission Ward, July 5. The mother, Elaine Smith, was baptized in July. Her daughter, Elizabeth Ferrari, was baptized in June. Her son, John Ferrari, was blessed at the July 5, 1970, Fast Meeting.

Recent Seminary Graduations shown that Mission Ward had the only student, Fred Cox, to receive a 5 year award. A 4 year award went to Ramona Calbillo. Third year awards went to Robert Thomsen and Patricia Draper.

On June 20, 1970, Deborah Ann Calbillo was married to F. Charles Huber, in the Daly City chapel, by Maliau P. Afuvai, 2nd Counselor in the bishopric. The young couple first met in Mission Ward, and met again in Utah, where Deborah had gone for schooling. They will reside in Salt Lake City, Utah. Deborah is the oldest daughter of Mission Ward's Young Women Mutual Improvement Association President, Doris Morales. She also has two sisters living in Mission Ward, Ramona and Cynthia Calbillo, and a grandmother, Bernice Otman.

After 3 years in his calling, Leonard W. Cryer has been released as Ward Executive Secretary.

Hayward

By Phyllis Lagerholm

How would you like to travel to Africa for a month??? That is what Bill and Hertha Tanner did in June. Because of a special opportunity given them, they decided to travel to Nairobe, Kenya, Northern Africa, and Southern Europe. Bro. Tanner gave a very scholarly nutshell picture of the countries which were visited and Sis. Tanner spoke of her experiences during a recent Sacrament Meeting in July. The living conditions are very difficult. There are many contrasts because of the European and Indian influences. Some of these contrasts and living conditions cause much hate and resentment among the various classes of people. These countries are also having difficulty learning how to use their newly acquired independence.

A Hunt's catsup bottle was seen on tables in a restaurant in Ethiopia, which brought home very closely. It was very difficult to grasp the sensation of seeing the sun race across the skies and then again land in a country where the sun was just rising. England still has street meetings. At one corner, a man was stating his strong beliefs regarding freedom. He said America has the most freedom in all the world. However, America is trying to sell her freedom as fast as she can.

Dennis Murphy has been called to the Missouri-Kansas Mission and will be leaving in August.

The Spanish Branch has been closed in the Hayward Stake. Therefore, many new families will be returning to our ward. who know very little English. Fellowship them.

Patty and Bruce Muir have found a new apartment in Hayward II Ward.

The Girls' Softball team won their second regional game. Joyce Gull, the Sports Director, said that the girls are very excited to continue. Their last game was 19-10 against San Leandro Stake. Come and support them.

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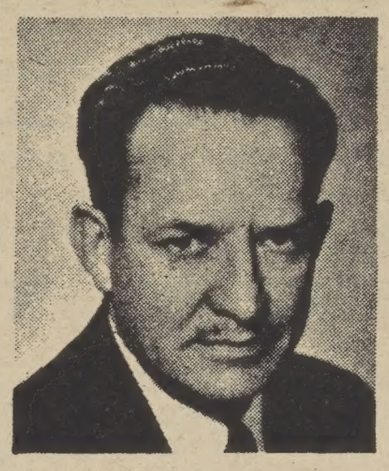
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Although still young women, each has distinguished herself as both pianist and organist, as well as having conformed to the Mormon ideal of being good wives and mothers. Ephra has four children, and is a senior majoring in music at California State College at Hayward. She is organist for the Pleasant Hill Ward, and assistant stake organist, Walnut Creek Stake, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. She will play the following: Prelude and Fugue in E Major - Deitrich Buxtehude; Kleine Intraden, Ritornell; Pastorale - Hermann Shroeder; Chorale in A Minor - Cesar Franck.

Pauline started her musical career at age seven, attaining, at age eighteen the certificate of merit for tenth year, from the California Music Teacher's Assn. She was a sweepstakes winner of the Pasadena annual "Search for Talent," and also received the Hollywood Bowl Award for achievement at the piano. She is presently organist for two churches in Southern California and the mother of three children. She will play: Sonata - L. Freixanet; Prelude and Fugue in E Flat (552), J.S. Bach; Liturgical Fugue - Raynor Brown; L'Ange A La Trompette - Jacques Charpentier..

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Part of the problem in the past has been lack of financial backing. Also, there was some problem with financial fronting, not to mention siding, topping and bottoming. These trouble areas have been dispensed with, however, through prayer and the progressive decision to publish without money. While most journals begin solvent and end up insolvent, CANDLE hopes to break new ground by beginning insolvent and ending solvent. As original as this idea is, it does not compare with that of the MESSENGER,which hasn't had a single solvent day in its life.

I recently attended a meeting of CANDLE'S staff held in the partment of the editor, Juliesue Westwood. They were serving pizza and punch. I sat down in a chair next to the piano and began taking candid photos of the staff lying about eating pizza, reading manuscripts and discussing Women's Liberation.

The conversation turned to a reverent discussion of DIALOGUE magazine, which is held in great esteem in these cicles, and then to an enthusiastic examination of a copy of the first edition of a new independent Mormon quarterly called THE CARPENTER. L ater, there was some talk about sponsoring an art show at the Interstake Center.

The editorial staff of CANDLE consists of L.D.S. writers from several East Bay stakes. The staff has worked hard for two years to bring this publication into prominence, if not existence.They have carefully selected manuscripts from a wide geographical area and submitted them to the acid test of artis tic scrutiny. The result is a superb collection of poems, sketches and stories.

Nobody noticed, however, until this meeting, that the final selections were entirely the product of the editors. This caused considerable consternation until several outside pieces were miraculously discovered, upon rereading, to have definite literary merit.

Nevertheless, it was decided to push the deadline for submissions back into August to allow more writers and artists in the Bay Area to submit their work.

Immediately following this decision, the various members of the staff excused themselves, one by one, and rushed home to do some more writing.

All in all, the meeting was a great success, and this column can confidently report that CANDLE will appear sometime thisFall. At least, I think it will. Maybe it won't.

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WASHINGTON—America's questing youth, fiercely idealistic, impatient for change, have been unleashed for the summer.

They are the most alert, most aware, most aroused generation in our history. But many are cop-outs, living in a psychedelic dream world, doing their own thing, taking drugs to escape reality.

Some seem to believe we can end war with millenial thinking, eliminate social problems with talk of love, overcome injustice with catchwords and cliches.

Others have lost faith that social ills can be corrected without a structural change in our system. They seek to tear down our society without a clear idea of how to rebuild it.

The young need to understand, first, that there are no simple solutions. Ahead lie Himalanan problems—rugged inclines to climb, no easy slopes to coast down.

The young who believe in the future, who aren't yet ready to resign from the human race, should take the initiative. Let me make a few modest suggestions:

1. Stir the starry-eyed from their pseudo-romantic dreams; rouse them to their feet; inspire them to substitute deeds for dreams. Invite the militants down from their soapboxes; challenge them to exchange their rhetoric for practical solutions.

MORMON EXAMPLE

2. Fill your summer with constructive, not destructive activity. If you can find no great cause, settle for a small cause. In Salt Lake City, white Mormon teenagers mowed lawns, washed cars, sold baked goods, cleaned garages and did yard work to raise more than $35,000 to help build a Negro church. You can do as much. Organize a project of your own; roll up your sleeves; pitch in an do something worthwhile. Then write me about your project; tell me what you accomplished. Your experience may stimulate others.

ON BEING OLD: So you think you're too old to make your mark, do you? All right, but bear in mind Michelangelo did his best work at age 87. Verdi was 85 when he turned out "Ave Maria." Kant at 74 wrote his keenest philosophical stuff, Goethe finished "Faust" at 80. Titian at 98 painted the masterpiece "Battle of Lepanto." Justice Holmes came up with historic legal opinions when he was 90. And Tennyson wrote "Crossing the Bar" at the age of 80.

PEAK YEARS—At what age is a man at his best? Says Walter B. Pitkin: "At 40, most men have not yet arrived and have not yet found themselves fully. The ablest are just coming into power and self-understanding. But even for them the peak of achievement is still more than seven years away. Then and not until then does the world take their measure and give them their due rank. Not until then, in the complete sense, can they truthfully say they know how to live."

You can safely say that it takes a while to make one's mark. ON BEING HUMAN: A few weeks ago our son "Marc Dennis" graduated "Juris Doctor" from the University of California law school at Davis. It was a great and beautiful day for the aunts, uncles, cousins, family and friends who came from far and near to honor "the graduate." The parents, of course, were especially proud of their first born—now married with two small daughters who had successfully concluded seven years of college work.

Evidently "Dad" was carried away with his pride and happiness and it showed. A few days afterwards a good friend mailed us the following verse which we share with you in the hope that ie may be as helpful to you for "re-entry" purposes whenever you may happen to "go into orbit."

Sometime, when you're feeling important
Sometime, when your ego's in bloom,
Sometime when you take it for granted
You're the best qualified in the room,
Sometime when you feel that your going,
Would leave an unfillable hole,
Just follow this simple instruction,
And see how it humbles your soul.

Take a bucket and fill it with water,
Put your hand in it, up to the wrist,
Pull it out, and the hole that's remaining,
Is a measure of how you'll be missed.
You may splash all you please when you enter,
You can stir up the water galore,
But stop, and you'll find in a minute,
That it looks quite the same as before.

The moral in this quaint example
Is do just the best that you can
Be proud of yourself, but remember,
There is no indispensable man.

Anonymous

FIRST FAMILY IN MORMON LAND: The Oakland Tribune on July 26 carried a "wire release" under the above caption, and noted that President Nixon and his family had visited Salt Lake City for "Utah Day" on July 24. While the nation's president visited with our Church's president, Joseph Fielding Smith, Mrs. Nixon and daughter Tricia visited historic Temple Square. The visit had previously been canceled for security reasons but by using the new and safe underground tunnel from the Church Office Building to Temple Square (a distance of one block) they were able to enjoy a private organ recital by Dr. Alexander Schreiner.

EXIT A WEAK LEADER: There will be no grieving among a great many citizens and especially among the Mormons at the announced departure by Kenneth Pitzer from the presidency of Stanford University. His ineffectual and permissive leadership permitted the militants to do great physical damage to the University buildings and its properties. In weakness he permitted continual harrassment and disruption of that great university's scientific contracts with our government as well as its own, long established ROTC program.

Giving in to pressure from the black minority he unilaterally cancelled athletic competition with the Brigham Young University because of so called discriminatory racial policies.

The Main Forum

The Gospel In Perspective

Local Stake Conference Schedule

AUGUST 15-16	OAKLAND–BERKELEY STAKE
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SEPTEMBER 19-20	HAYWARD STAKE
SEPTEMBER 26-27	CONCORD STAKE
SEPTEMBER 28	SAN FRANCISCO STAKE

Samuel W. Taylor

Golden Gate Saints

History of the Church in Northern California... Part 5

While an old-timer today is someone who remembers the double-breasted suit and when a short skirt covered the kneecaps, a few tottering old fossils recall those ancient days when there was no temple pageant, and, incredibly enough, no Oakland Temple at all. So for the benefit of the now generationm perhaps I should record a few nostalgic glimpses of a venerable and cherished church tradition of those golden days known as the Temple Excursion, before memory fades.

Trouble with the Los Angeles Temple, it was so close. Before it was built, temple excursions were to Salt Lake, Mesa, or St. George, far enough away that travel time and the frailty of the human body had some bearing on the schedule.

An early temple excursion, to Mesa, was made in 1940 by members of the San Francisco Stake, and among those a few might remember were Chloe Petersen, Martha Roegg, Eva Merrill, stake patriarch Fred Merrill, and Ida N. Osterloh. Such an excursion took several days, and was in the nature of a vacation. But excursions to the Los Angeles Temple were different. Some unkonwn genius had figured that by embarking from the Bay area at nine o'clock Friday night, the bus would reach Los Angeles in time for four sessions at the tample Saturday, then could leave at 4 p.m. for the return, and arrive back by midnight, thus avoiding Sunday travel.

The only thing overlooked was sleep. Also, the schedule did not allow for a hallowed tradition regarding the buses chartered for these trips. They always were at least 20 years old, fume-filled, rattly, prone to breakdown, and with square wheels.

The experience of Joe Budro of Redwood City Ward is typical. He wanted to be married to his wife in the hereafter, and his daughter wanted to be sealed to her parents. Also, he felt a little as he had during World War II, when his company was alerted for overseas duty. While other GI's bewailed their fate, Budro looked forward to the war zone. With the big show on, he didn't want to sit home and miss out. He had similar sentiments about going through the temple. He didn't want to sit outside through eternity.

Could he qualify? He braved an interview with Bishop John Weaver to find out.

"Do you obey the Word of Wisdom, Joe?"

"No," Budro admitted frankly, "I'm ten pounds overweight."

"Hmm," the bishop said. He might have been violating counsel for moderation by about the same degree; at any rate, he issued the recommend.

When Budro arrived at the chapel Friday evening, he noticed that the other 74 people had pillows, some of them horseshoe shaped, so that no turn nor lurch of the bus, however violent, could dislodge them. Then as the bus arrived, there was a mad dash to get aboard. Budro, politely bringing up the rear, didn't realize the reason for the pushing and shoving until he found himself on the wide rear seat, which bucked and pitched with the slightest movement of the vehicle, and which was upholstered in a devilish slick plastic. On that rear seat he slid back and forth like a shuttlecock as the smelly bus thundered through the night.

Presently the people trapped within began screaming in unison. Budro joined with heartfelt groans until he realized that the inmates weren't really screaming, just singing. Ah, the dauntless spirit of the Mormons, sing through travail! He thought of the pioneers crossing the plains, the William Clayton composing "Come, Come, Ye Saints."

The singing didn't last long. the heating system of the bus was adjusted to allow a carefully measured amount of exhaust fumes to mix with the warm air, not enough to be lethal but sufficient to put everyone in a drugged stupor.

Marjorie Marshall Dies in Hayward

On May 6 members of the Hayward Stake were saddened to learn of the sudden passing of Marjorie (Sally) Marshall, wife of Dean L. Marshall and mother of four children.

For the past 13 years Sister Marshall had been a member of the Hayward II Ward where she gave faithful church service on both the ward and stake levels. At the time of her death she was serving as 1st Counselor to Edna Mills in the Hayward Stake Relief Society Presidency. In prior years she served as Relief Society President in the Ward, Sunday School teacher and Mutual teacher. Also, for two years she served as a Den Mother in the Cub Scout program while her husbad was the Cubmaster in Pack 832. In addition to her Church activities she was active in community affairs serving on the executive board of the Park Elementary School PTA and worked in the Little League Mother's Program.

Sister Marshall was born on May 4, 1930 in Garfield, Utah, a daughter of Bishop Keith Murdock and Marjorie Miles. She received her education in the public schools of Salt Lake and Price, Utah and graduated with honors with a BS Degree in Home Economics from the University of Utah. She taught high school in the Granite and Ogden School Districts for 5 years.

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